

**Rear Admiral David A. Score**  
**Deputy Director, NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps**  
**Deputy Director for Operations, NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations**

Rear Admiral (lower half) David A. Score is Deputy Director of the NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps and NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations Deputy Director for Operations.

RDML Score served most recently as Director of OMAO's Marine Operations Center, which oversees all NOAA ship fleet operations. He previously served as Commanding Officer of the NOAA Marine Operations Center-Atlantic in Norfolk, Virginia. Before directing NOAA's Atlantic fleet, RADM Score commanded NOAA Ship *Gordon Gunter*, which conducted key research missions during the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill response.

Since his commission as a NOAA Corps officer in 1990, RDML Score has served aboard six NOAA vessels, including NOAA ships *Miller Freeman*, *Ferrel* and *Nancy Foster*. These ships conducted operations from the Bering Sea to the Caribbean Sea. He is an accomplished NOAA diver and dive master and has supervised more than 2,000 dives.

RDML Score has also served in a variety of management and operational roles at Channel Islands, Gray's Reef and Florida Keys national marine sanctuaries. As the superintendent of Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, he oversaw a complex regulatory program and partnerships with three state and six federal agencies.

RDML Score has a strong record of achievement. He has received eight NOAA special achievement awards, two Department of Commerce bronze medals, and was the 1999 NOAA National Association of Commissioned Officers Junior Officer of the Year. He holds a bachelor's degree in marine biology and advanced research from the Florida Institute of Technology and studied biology at Georgia Southern University.

RDML Score has a wife and two daughters.

